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Subject: Clarification on Acceptance and Wear of Service Medals from Foreign Governments

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A. AR 600-8-22, Military Awards, dated 25 February 1995.

B. AR 670-1, Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia, dated 3 February 2005

1. This message provides clarification on the acceptance and wear of service medals from foreign governments.

2. Chapter 9 of Ref A; chapter 29 of Ref B; and the messages posted on the Military Awards Branch website

(https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/TAGD/awards/Message_Reference_Index/awdmsg.htm) contains the foreign service medals that have been authorized for acceptance and wear. Personnel meeting the eligibility requirements for these awards are authorized to accept and wear the medals on their Army uniform. These medals will be worn in accordance with Ref B.

3. Those foreign service medals that have not been officially accepted by the Department of Defense are not authorized for wear on the Army uniform.

4. Foreign governments that would like to recognize U.S. service members with service medals from their country should submit a formal offer through the Ministry of Defense of their country to the U.S. Secretary of Defense.

5. Questions pertaining to this message should be forwarded to the Military Awards Branch at DSN 221-8700 or commercial (703) 325-8700.

Future updates can be found on the Military Awards Branch website, <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/TAGD/awards/index.htm>.